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In re the U.S. Application of

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For: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING CERTIFICATE BASED  
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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT (37 CFR 1.181(a))

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.135, the holding of abandonment in the Notice of Abandonment mailed on January 20, 2004 is respectfully petitioned to be withdrawn. The Examiner indicated that no reply had been received in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 15, 2003; however, a Notice of Appeal was filed January 13, 2004. Attached is a copy of the Notice of Appeal filing and a copy of the stamped post card receipt evidencing the filing of the Notice of Appeal on January 13, 2004.

For the reasons set forth above, the Notice of Abandonment is respectfully requested to be withdrawn. If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted

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